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BLANKETS AT REDUCED PRICES

And yesterday morning was about the coldest we've had this winter.

Why did we reduce the prices yesterday? Because we had already arranged to mark them down owing to the fact that our samples, kept out for show, were a little soiled and ruffled on the outside fold, owing to handling, and of others we had but one pair.

Our Blanket man rightly thought that cold weather was the time that people needed Blankets, and the cut price knife was used several days before he expected to.

The list below is not a complete one of all the reductions, but its representative of all.

\$2.48 Blankets now	\$1.98
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\$3.48 Blankets now	\$2.75
\$4.48 Blankets now	\$3.25
\$5.48 Blankets now	\$4.75
\$6.48 Blankets now	\$5.98
\$10.00 Blankets now	\$7.50

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See our Advertisement on Woman's Page of This Evening's News Leader.

PICTURES TURNED TOWARD THE WALL

Justice John as an Art Critic in the Police Court.

Justice Crutchfield sat as a critic in the Police Court yesterday upon works of art. The question at issue was as to whether or not certain pictures in bar-rooms were works of art.

The question was raised by Mr. Reginald Walker and Rev. Mr. West. These two gentlemen contended that certain pictures, which they had seen in bar-rooms, were not works of art, but were entirely objectionable.

Justice Crutchfield held that the pictures in question were not works of art, and therefore, ordered them to be turned to the wall or removed.

The bar-keepers in question did not agree with the decision of the court, but they agreed, in order to avoid a fine, to remove the pictures.

Then the court issued an order that all pictures of a questionable nature must be removed from bar-rooms and other places of public resort.

Other cases in court yesterday were of minor importance.

Chap. Thomas was fined \$30 for hitting Archer Polidexter with a brick.

And finally Brown and Lonnie Dugger each assessed \$250 for scrapping with each other in an unseemly manner.

A few drunks passed along.

AT THE ACADEMY.

Al. H. Wilson, who is styled "the golden voice," cleared his pipes and sang his songs at the Academy last night, in the romantic role of "The Prince of Fate."

The same role he was seen in last year.

Mr. Wilson and his show is essentially for sentimental folk who do not care to patronize the legitimate, and prefer rescuing and the warbling golden voice.

The production was on a par with that of last year, and seemed to give the satisfaction of last year's audiences. Some of the new songs were useful to the point of excellence.

The production and to-night the real big event of the Academy's season will be seen, the famous, Cusino production of "The Runaways."

Special arrangements have been made with the Norfolk and Western to bring to the city to-day the great company of Schubert, which will present "The Runaways" at the Academy this afternoon and to-night.

These arrangements were made on account of the fact that the company is promised that the curtain on the first act of the great Cusino extravaganza will go up promptly at half-past two this afternoon.

Eight comedians, three prima donnas, twenty song lads, over one hundred players and elaborate scenic effects and costumes are the main features of "The Runaways." It is called a musical extravaganza. It is that and more.

The production was first presented at the famous Casino Theatre in New York last year and played for over six months to packed audiences.

"The Runaways" has all the elements of a delightful entertainment—plenty of fun, magnificent costumes, dazzling scenic effects, beautiful show girls, catchy and tuneful music and a story humorous in its details. The production, which comes here direct from the New York Casino, is in two acts, the first showing the race track and club house at Saratoga, and the second is a scene in the Italian district, in which the first show girls are introduced.

The place affords endless opportunities for the clever list of fun-makers, headed by Arthur Dunn, who ranks high among the comedians of this country.

Grand Opera Friday

With the appearance here of the Mantovani Italian Grand Opera Company, three of the most famous and popular operas of modern times will be heard. These are "The Bohemians," "The Barber of Seville," and "The Trovatore." These operas, which are full of melody and pathos, will be presented by the Mantovani company.

This splendid organization will appear here Friday night at the Academy.

Billy Kerand and his minstrel company will be at the Academy Saturday, Matinee and night.

VIRGINIA TRUST CO.

Stockholders Elect Directors.

Officers Also Chosen.

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